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From:

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To:

Commissioner Adelstein

Date: Subject: Tue, Apr 22, 2003 11:13 PM DSL service in Michigan.

Dear Commissioner.

I am a consumer in Detroit Mi. area and have as my local phone service carrier AT&T. The reason for this is because I feel Ameritech, now SBC was not truthful nor fair in their billing practices, also they engaged in slamming my service several times when they were my local service. I also have AT&T as my ISP (Internet Service Provider) on a dialup account. Just recently I had been informed that AT&T had made contract arrangements with Covad to provide DSL service in my area. I attempted to sign up for service but because of standing regulations I can't unless I have SBC as my local carrier. This is unacceptable that my right to choose who provides my service is usurped by the Government in coercion with a company trying to unfairly create a monopoly of service in an area. I demand as an American Citizen that my rights be returned to me, that this regulation be abolished that I can truly choose my phone service and all related services with whom ever I choose. To force me to pay a company not of my choosing for a service that one of my choosing provides is nothing less than extortion.

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Respectfully,

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